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Truckee River Operating Agreement



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This revised draft environmental impact statement/environmental impact report (DEIS/EIR) evaluates current conditions and three alternatives, including the Truckee River Operating Agreement (TROA) Alternative, which is the proposed action. TROA has been negotiated pursuant to section 205(a) of Public Law 101-618. As proposed, TROA would modify operations of five Federal and two non-Federal reservoirs to facilitate distribution of water in the Truckee River basin and implement the Congressional allocation of Lake Tahoe, Truckee River, and Carson River waters between the States of California and Nevada. TROA would, in part, (1) enhance conditions for endangered and threatened fishes throughout the Truckee River basin; (2) increase municipal and industrial (M&I) drought protection for Truckee Meadows (Reno-Sparks metropolitan area); (3) improve river water quality downstream from Sparks, Nevada; and (4) enhance streamflows and recreational opportunities in the Truckee River basin.

This revised DEIS/EIR was prepared in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). It is intended to serve public information requirements pursuant to all appropriate Executive orders, Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, and National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (section 106).

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